

the Chief Engineer. The Nelliampathies are a delectable place from the point of view of scenery. It is important from an economic point of view also. Large fertile areas are ready there for tapping. Already thousands of acres are planted with tea, coffee, cardamom, etc. I have brought to the notice of the Conservator of Forests that immense possibilities are before us on the top of the Nelliampathies. It is so very pleasant in summer. You will feel that you are in a wonderful garden if you go there in summer. From several aspects of the question that place will, I am sure, eventually become the Coonoor of Cochin. There will then be no necessity for our Diwan to go up to Coonoor and other places during summer. I hope a time will come when the seat of our Government during summer will be on the Nelliampathies. I therefore bring to the notice of the Chief Engineer the urgent necessity of carrying out these works as early as possible.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar (Nellayi): Will the planters contribute anything?

Mr. V. J. Mathai (Planters): I must really ask them.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (Chief Engineer): There are certain portions in the Nelliampathies where a person going for the first time may have some fear, but when he returns he will not feel it so bad. But I shall see that some parapet walls are put up. It is not really dangerous, but one feels as if it is dangerous.

Mr. President: It is easy to make small parapets.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (Chief Engineer): We shall do that.

Mr. V. J. Mathai (Planters): In view of the very kind assurance given to me by the Chief Engineer I beg leave to withdraw my cut motion.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Cut Motion No. 9.

To construct a road from Kallettumkara Railway Station to Thazhekad.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (Chalakkudi): Sir, I beg to move that the allotment of Rs. 2,08,200 under Communications Original, be reduced by Re. 1, to request the Government to construct a road from Kallettumkara Railway Station to Thazhekad. During the past one decade the people of the locality have sent numerous petitions for the construction of this road. They have submitted petitions to the Diwan as well as to the Minister. If we go to the Minister he will say the work costs Rs. 15,000 and it is beyond the scope of his department. If we go to the Diwan, he will say there is the Road Board. So from the Minister to the Diwan we were petitioning for the past 10 years. The people are really anxious to know

whether this road will be constructed and if so, in what time. A straight answer will be very much welcome. It is a real hardship and suffering. I think, a dozen times I have brought this fact to the notice of the Government. I want a reply from the Government.

***Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (Chief Engineer):** This road connecting Kallettumkara Railway Station to Thazhekad is about 2 to 3 miles long and we have to cross through 3 paddy fields of which 2 are along the puncha nilam. The cost of works will be about 15,000 rupees and it is really a short cut to the people from the Railway Station. I shall place this matter again before the next Road Board meeting for its consideration and collect all details necessary for them to come to a decision.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (Chalakkudi): So this is the answer that I can give to the people. I think the Chief Engineer will put a strong word in favour of this work to the Road Board meeting. There is no use of simply placing it before the Road Board. It will be a boon to the people.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Cut Motion No. 10.

To extend the Kizhakke Chalakkudi-Pariyaram road to the St. George's School, Pariyaram.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (Chalakkudi): I move to reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,08,200 under Communication Original by Re. 1 to request the Government to extend the Kizhakke Chalakkudi Pariyaram road to the St. George's School, Pariyaram. The cost for this work will be only Rs. 500. I think no speech is necessary in this matter. The Chief Engineer will do it without any exhortation on my part. It will be a very great convenience to the people of the locality.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (Chief Engineer): I shall look into that question.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Cut Motion No. 11.

To widen the Palluruthy road.

***Mr. V. P. Kannu Pillai (Mattancheri):** I rise to move that the allotment of Rs. 2,08,200 under Communications Original be reduced by Re. 1. (പള്ളത്തൂരിൽ റോഡ് വീതിപ്പെടുത്തേണ്ടതിന്നു തയ്യാറാക്കിയ നിന്നും ഉണ്ടായ ഓർഡറുകളെ സംബന്ധിച്ച സംസാരിപ്പാൻ). സർ, ഇതു കൺസെൻസസ് റോഡിനെപ്പറ്റിയുള്ളതാണ്. ഈ റോഡ് ഇപ്പോൾ വളരെ മോശമായിട്ടുണ്ട്. വെണ്ടിയിൽ നിന്നുള്ള ചാലം കൂടി വന്നു കഴിഞ്ഞാൽ ഈ റോഡിൽ ട്രാഫിക്ക് വളരെ അധികമാകും.

**Speech not corrected by the hon'ble member.*